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24. (New) An agonist molecule identified by the method of claim 23.

25. (New) An agonist identified by the method of claim 23, wherein said molecule binds to elongin C thereby interfering with the binding of said SOCS box to said elongin C.

REMARKS

Claims 13-25 have been added to further define the subject matter to which applicants are entitled. Support for Claims 13-19 is found throughout the specification and particularly at Page 3, Lines 6-7 and Page 13, Lines 11-16. Support for Claims 20-25 is found throughout the specification and particularly at Page 13, lines 24-30 and Page 12, line 18 – Page 13, line 6, for example. No new matter has been added. Early and favorable examination on the merits is thereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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